

COST SHARE AGREEMENT – Las Conchas Fire
Between
USDA FOREST SERVICE – Santa Fe National Forest
And the
US DOI, National Park Service – Bandelier National Monument
And the
US DOI, Bureau of Indian Affairs – Northern and Southern Pueblos Agency
And the
State of New Mexico - Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources - Forestry Division

The purpose of this agreement is to provide for a coordinated cooperative fire suppression operation on this incident and to describe the cost methodology. This Cost Share Agreement is entered into as per Section 44 of the New Mexico Wildland Fire Management Joint Powers Master Agreement (EMNRD No. 08-521-2300-0288).

General Fire Information

Incident Name: **Las Conchas Fire**

Incident Date/Time: **June 26, 2011 at 1300**

Latitude: **35:44'44"** and Longitude: **106:32'27"**

Estimated Size: **148,000 acres**

Incident Cause: **Under investigation**

Jurisdictions

USFS – Santa Fe National Forest

FireCode: PNF5PS

USFS – Valles Caldera National Preserve

State of New Mexico – EMNRD NM Forestry Division

FireCode: 11-61540975X

NPS – Bandelier National Monument

FireCode: F5PS

BIA – Northern and Southern Pueblos Agencies

FireCode: F5PS

DOE – Los Alamos National Laboratory

Command Structure: Overall direction of this incident was by Area Command structure beginning June 29.

Agreement Period: This agreement is effective on the incident date of June 26, 2011, and will remain in effect until the fire is declared controlled or the agreement amended or terminated.

Special Management Operational Conditions: This cost share agreement between the parties was prepared under the following guidelines:

- Costs for nonexpendable property purchases by each agency will be charged directly to that agency and will not be shared.
- Administrative overhead costs such as agency personnel, support and services, not directly assigned or ordered by the incident, will not be included as part of this cost share agreement and will not be shared.
- Costs incurred by cooperators not engaged in joint fire suppression activities will not be included as part of this cost share agreement.
- Agency specific costs will not be shared.
- Responsibility for tort claim costs or compensation for injury costs will not be a part of this agreement. Responsibilities for these costs will be determined outside of this agreement.

- Non-suppression rehabilitation costs are the responsibility of the specific agency and will not be shared.
- Large fire overhead support provided by an Area Command, Expanded Dispatch, Mobilization and Demobilization centers and transportation centers will not be shared in this agreement.

Basis or Rationale for Cost Share

Cost Share Methodology – Each agency pays for its own resources. Fire suppression efforts were primarily on jurisdictional responsibility lands.

Criteria: Direct resources utilized across all direct protection areas are considered equal for the entire fire. Other reasons for choosing the “each agency pays for its own resources” methodology include: (a) operational objective and management tactics were the same for all agencies, (b) no extraordinary suppression tactics or protection measures were taken; and (c) values at risk and fuel components were similar.

Signatures of Authorized Personnel

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